

PROPOSED PLACEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR AGENCY COORDINATION OF
EXTERNAL RESEARCH

A. Definition

For the purposes of this proposal, "external research" is defined as research work carried out by private individuals or institutions (including universities, corporations, etc.) on behalf of CIA, with the exception of scientific and technical external research and development originating from offices reporting to DD/P and in the Office of Communications. It includes research done by other government agencies financed on a project basis by CIA.

B. Problem

- (1) To coordinate the proposed external research projects of the several offices to their mutual benefit including preventing duplication of effort and unnecessary expense.
- (2) To provide, as appropriate, a central point of contact with other agencies on external research matters of mutual interest.

C. Responsibility

- (1) In order to provide the centralized knowledge necessary to accomplish our objectives all external research projects will be coordinated with the Office of Intelligence Coordination.
- (2) When any Office wishes to propose an external research project, it will communicate with the Office of Intelligence Coordination to ascertain whether such research has already been done or is being done, or whether research currently under way for another Office can be expanded to include the new subject. Wherever

feasible this check will be made before any external research group is approached and no commitments can be made before project has been registered with OIC. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] may be consulted for further assistance as appropriate by the originating office or with their concurrence by OIC.

- (3) The recommended projects will be transmitted to the appropriate Deputy Director through the Office of Intelligence Coordination for submission to the Project Review Committee as required by CIA Regulations [REDACTED]

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- (4) It will be the responsibility of the Office of Intelligence Coordination to maintain a record of the external research work that has been done and is currently being carried on for Offices of CIA.

- (5) This regulation does not interfere with appropriate direct liaison arrangements between the various CIA Offices and other Government agencies and external research groups. Furthermore, all offices, without exception, proposing to initiate external research projects in private organizations, or with private individuals, will coordinate with [REDACTED] Office of Operations, when Agency interest is to be revealed, in accordance with CIA Regulation [REDACTED]

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